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PETITION TO RESET THE PERIOD FOR REPLY DUE TO LATE RECEIPT OF AN OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants representatives have recently received an Office Action for the above-identified application dated December 6, 2001. In view of the substantial portion of the set period for reply having elapsed prior to the date of receipt, Applicants hereby petition to have the previously set time period for reply to the Office Action restarted. Applicants submit the following in support of the petition.

Applicants are filing the instant petition within two weeks of the actual date of receipt of the Office Action. A substantial portion of the set period for reply has elapsed prior to the date of receipt of the Office Action. The PTO mail date of the Office Action was December 6, 2001. However, the actual date of receipt of the Office Action was January 15, 2002. Enclosed herewith is a copy of the Office Action cover page with the Sughrue Mion, PLLC Docketing

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Applicants believe that the Office Action may have been subjected to delay by the U.S.

Postal Service as a result of recent extra precautions being taken by the U.S. Postal Service to

screen mail passing through Washington D.C. Post Offices.

As provided for in MPEP §710.06, and in view of the above, Applicants respectfully

petition to have the previously set time period for reply to the Office Action dated December 6,

2001 restarted.

It is not believed that any fees are due for the instant Petition. However, should it be

determined that fees are required for the instant petition, please charge the fees to Deposit

Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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